



Helicopter Stakeholder Second Meeting

Wednesday, January 30, 2013, 6 p.m.

Agenda

- Introductions
- Meeting Details
- Formal Recommendations
- Suggested Text for Consideration
- Working Groups
- Full Group Discussion
- Next Steps



Introductions

- Facilitating – Arin Gray, Chris Coons
- Austin Airport Advisory Commission – Dale Murphy, Rosemarie Klee, George Farris
- Aviation Department – Shane Harbinson, Loren Lintner, Joseph Medici, Scott Madole, Stephen Dick
- Planning & Development Review Department- Lynda Courtney, Greg Dutton



Meeting Details

- January 30, 2013 – 3 Hours
- Break into groups by 6:15
- 10 Minute Break at 7:30
- Full group at 8:15
- Restrooms
- Food and Refreshments



Formal Recommendations – Group 1

- 13-1-184 – Evaluate insurance levels
- 13-1-185 C – Heliport markings
- 13-1-185 D – Heliport markings
- 13-1-180 no. 12 and 13-1-187 B – Consistency for review by architect and engineer
- Approved the following sections of Article 4 as they are currently written:
13-1-172; 13-1-175; 13-1-179; 13-1-185 A, B, E; 13-1-187 A, C; 13-1-188; 13-1-189



Formal Recommendations – Group 1

- Code needs to address criteria for director's decision including hours of operation, number of flights, dates for use, etc. Need to evaluate if this should be under section 13-1-182 or create a new section for temporary helicopter facilities.
- City should consider building a permanent helipad inside the City of Austin.
- Group approves the definition of temporary helistop.
- City should consider adding a requirement that temporary applications should be replied to within 30 days.
- Public notice is not necessary for temporary helistops.



Formal Recommendations – Group 2

- Leave current code as written, if a third type of permitting for special events is created
- Third category should be a hybrid of the existing permits and that within this “special event permit” the items below would need to be addressed. They determined it would be best to return to the details of these items at the next meeting.
 - Details of duration and frequency allowable, including possible geographic restrictions
 - Public input in the process of approval
 - An enforcement and penalty element
 - Additional department review/approval/recommendation process


Suggested Text for Consideration

SPECIFIC-USE HELISTOP is approved to be used for a specific use, during an established timeframe with a cumulative total of helicopter takeoffs and landings not to exceed the capacity of helistop as determined by examining the hours of operations and types of helicopters used on a temporary basis for air taxi operations.


Working Group Structure

- Ground Rules:
 - Be respectful
 - Listen to all comments
 - Everyone participates
 - Different opinions are welcome
 - We all work to identify best solutions to accommodate needs
- Roles
 - Group Scribe
 - Group Spokesperson
 - Staff will be available to answer questions


Questions



**Working Groups
6:15 to 8:15 p.m.**



**Full Group Discussion
8:15 p.m.**



Next Steps

- Meeting Summary – Monday, February 4
- Collaborate with your representative organization
- Summary Meeting – 2 to 3 weeks after review process
- Process to approve ordinance
 - Legal Department participation thru the entire process
 - Report to City Council on Recommendations
 - Code and Ordinances Subcommittee
 - Zoning Commission
 - Planning Commission
 - Airport Commission
 - Council – Adoption



Thank You!